INFORMATION FOR VENDORS

The Pavley Bill Working Group

Welcome to the Pavley Bill (AB 2231) implementation process. The bill focuses on exploring ways in which various communications media may be used to enhance alert and warning for the public.

HERE ARE SOME KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER DURING THIS PROCESS:

- The bill established a Working Group to assess existing and future technologies available in the public and private sectors for the expansion of transmission of emergency alerts to the public through a public-private partnership.
- The Working Group has a specified membership under the bill. The
 first meeting of the Working Group will be March 27, 2008. This is an
 information sharing meeting; there will be no vendor presentations
 at this meeting.
- The Working Group is to advise the Director of the Office of Emergency Services (OES) and assist in the development of policies, procedures, and protocols that will lay the framework for an improved warning system for the public.
- The Director of OES shall report the findings and recommendations of the Working Group to the Legislature no later than one year from the date the Working Group is convened.
- In addition to the members of the Working Group, OES will involve key stakeholders and the public in the bill implementation process to arrive at the report to the Legislature. Information from key stakeholders and the public will be incorporated into the final report as appropriate. Meetings of the Working Group will be public-noticed.
- Vendors will have an opportunity to provide information about their products and approaches to alert and warning. The Working Group will establish a mechanism to review and assess information from vendors. This will be necessary due to the time constraints imposed by the bill. If you are a product vendor, please periodically check the OES website for information at:
 - http://www.oes.ca.gov/Operational/OESHome.nsf/1?OpenForm
- The entire bill implementation process is designed to be as inclusive as
 possible and to involve as many key stakeholders as possible. The
 final report to the Legislature will be the result of the collaborative efforts
 of all the key parties involved.